The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 430. An act to amend the Act of June 20, 1910, to protect the permanent trust funds of the State of New Mexico from erosion due to inflation and modify the basis on which distributions are made from those funds.

S. 670. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Technical Corrections Act of 1994 to eliminate the special transition rule for issuance of a certificate of citizenship for certain children born outside the United States.

The message also announced that pursuant to clause 6 of rule X, the Speaker announced the following modifications to the conference appointment to the bill (H.R. 1119) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1998 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes:

Mr. McKeon is added to the panel for the Committee on National Security to follow Mr. Bartlett.

The first proviso to the panel from the Committee on Resources is stricken.

The message further announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1757) to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and ensure that the enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization [NATO] proceeds in a manner consistent with United States interests, to strengthen relations between United States and Russia, to preserve the prerogatives of the Congress with respect to certain arms control agreements, and for other purposes, and requests a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon:

And appoints the following Members as the managers of the conference on the part of the Houses:

For the consideration of the House bills (except title XXI) and the Senate amendment, and modification committed to conference: Mr. GILMAN, Mr. LEACH, Mr. HYDE, Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. HAMILTON, Mr. GEJDENSON, Mr. LANTOS, and Mr. BERMAN.

For the consideration of title XXI of the House bill, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. GILMAN, Mr. HYDE, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. HAMILTON, and Mr. GEJDENSON.

At 5:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 75. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that States should work more aggressively to at-

tack the problem of violent crimes committed by repeat offenders and criminals serving abbreviated sentences.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1348. An act to amend title 28, United States Code, relating to war crimes.

H.R. 2266. An act making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

## MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1348. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, relating to war crimes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 1596. An act to amend title 28, United States Code, to authorize the appointment of additional bankruptcy judges, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 1855. An act to establish a moratorium on large fishing vessels in Atlantic herring and mackerel fisheries; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 1953. An act to clarify State authority to tax compensation paid to certain employees; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

The following concurrent resolutions were read and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 74. Concurrent resolution concerning the situation between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations

H. Con Res. 75. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that States should work more aggressively to attack the problem of violent crimes committed by repeat offenders and criminals servicing abbreviated sentences; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following measures were read the first and second times by unanimous consent and placed on the calendar:

H Con. Res. 98. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the SAFE KIDS Buckle Up Car Seat Safety Check.

H. Con. Res. 124. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding acts of illegal aggression by Canadian fishermen with respect to the Pacific salmon fishery, and for other purposes.

## EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-2617. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule regarding debt collection received on July 23, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2618. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue

Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of Revenue Ruling 97–31 received on July 22, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2619. A communication from the Assistant Commissioner (Examination), Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Maquiladora Industry Coordinated Issue Revision" received on July 23, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2620. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on July 21, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2621. A communication from the National Director, Tax Forms and Publications Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to Revenue Procedure 97-32 received on July 22, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2622. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a rule relative to agricultural quarantine and inspection services (RIN0579-AA81), received on July 24, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2623. A communication from the Administrator, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a rule relative to building grants program (RIN0524-AA03), received on July 21, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2624. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a rule relative to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2625. A communication from the Administrator, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a rule relative to Higher Education Challenge Grants Program (RIN0524-AA02), received July 21, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2626. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a rule relative to popcorn promotion, received on July 23, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2627. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a rule relative to Federal milk orders, received on July 23, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2628. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a rule relative to sheep promotion, research, and information, received on July 23, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2629. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a rule relative to brucellosis in cattle, received on July 22, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.